GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA

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UTILISATION OF FUNDS
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether utilization of external assistance in the case of Maharashtra has been showing a downtrend during the first three years of the 9th Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the factors responsible for this decline; and

(d) remedial action taken by the Government on this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT, MINISTER OF STATE IN TH MINISTRIES OF PLANNING, STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE)

(a) to (d): No, Sir. The utilization of external assistance has not been showing a downward trend during the said three years. During the Eighth Five Year Plan, around 20 Externally Aided Projects were under implementation, most of which were completed during the first three years of the Ninth Five Year Plan. As more and more of these projects were carried to completion during the first three years of the Ninth Plan, the receipt of external assistance progressively declined but the utilization of the external assistance, which is to the tune of 95%, has been as per expectation.